

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:)
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U.S. Serial No: 09/752,359) Examiner: Rao, Steven H.
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on August 22, 2006 and a Request for Continued Examination (R.C.E.) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 filed concurrently herewith. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter this Preliminary Amendment and consider the following remarks.